BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: February 16, 2005	Division: <u>BOCC</u>
Bulk Item: Yes No <u>XX</u>	Department: Commissioner David Rice, District 4
	Staff Contact Person: <u>Tamara Lundstrom</u>
comprised of local government representative	form a Florida Keys Airport Task Force to be ves and community shareholders to study and make of the issues regarding recruitment of airline
ITEM BACKGROUND: Monroe County has contracted with <i>The Boyd Group</i> , a nationally recognized air services consultant company, to bring regional airline service back to the Florida Keys Airport at Marathon. They are preparing a grant application for the DOT Small Community Air Service Development Grant. On January 24, 2005, The Boyd Group made a public presentation of their proposal for a public-private partnership to include financial commitment from the community and local government funds to match the grant to create a revenue guarantee fund to offset an airline's risk. The Florida Keys Task Force will bring together representation for all the shareholders to discuss the regional issues.	
PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION: CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:	
STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:	
TOTAL COST:	BUDGETED: Yes No
COST TO COUNTY:	SOURCE OF FUNDS:
REVENUE PRODUCING: Yes No	AMOUNT PER MONTH Year
APPROVED BY: County Atty OM	B/Purchasing Risk Management
DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL:	(David P. Rice, Commissioner)
DOCUMENTATION: Included	Not Required
DISPOSITION:	AGENDA ITEM #

FLORIDA KEYS AIRPORT TASK FORCE OUTLINE

# of Members	Local Government/Business Organization
10	Cities appoint: Two members each, one of which is elected official
5	Chamber(s) of Commerce appoint one member each
5	BOCC appoints five members "at large"
2	One member each from The Lodging Association, and the Marathon Hospitality Association

Task Force Resource group: Commissioner David Rice; Mr. Harold Wheeler, Executive Director, TDC; Mr. Richard Collins, County Attorney; Mr. Tom Willi, County Administrator; Mr. Peter Horton, Director of Airport Services; and Mr. Reggie Paros, Airport Manager, Florida Keys Airport at Marathon.